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The Rotary Club of Woolgoolga Inc.

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Club President
Pamela Fayle
District Governor
Bob Ryan
Rotary International
President
Ian Riseley

Meetings each month
1st Sat: auction shed
8:30-3:30
2nd & 4th Mondays
6-8pm Woolgoolga C.ex
3rd Monday
Board meetings VIC
if 5th Monday,
contact Secretary

TONIGHT (29 JAN) CLARK WEBB, LEARNING – ABORIGINAL YOUTH

Tonight we will hear from **Clark Webb**, on **Learning Outcomes for Aboriginal Youth**. Clark is the Director of Bularri Muurlay Nyanggan Aboriginal Corporation. Born on the Coffs Coast and raised at Nana Glen, Clark has a passion for education & improving the future of the local indigenous population, working passionately to preserve the Gumbaynggirr language and showing young Aboriginal people they can achieve success by setting an example. Bularri Muurlay Nyanggan translates to “two path strong” in the Gumbaynggirr language. This program is designed to increase the cultural and educational success of Aboriginal communities on the Coffs Coast by offering after-school learning places, community Gumbaynggirr language classes, and cultural camps. The goal of the program is to ensure that young people are well educated so that they can compete for quality jobs, whilst at the same time being knowledgeable & proud of who they are as Aboriginal people.



Secretary:
Patty Delaney
0429 449 385

APOLOGIES TO:

Karen
0410 039 805
before 9am
Monday



DONATION OF \$100 FOR EVERY MEMBER TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

The **Rotary Foundation** (TRF) came into being 100 years ago. Strong fundraising results over the past year have allowed us to celebrate TRF’s centenary year in a fitting way, by contributing **\$100 for every member of our club** – a total donation of **\$2,500** (to the Annual Fund, formerly known as the Annual Programs Fund).

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of **health**, the support of **education**, and the alleviation of **poverty**. The six areas of particular focus are

- ☆ Disease prevention and treatment
- ☆ Water and sanitation
- ☆ Economic and community development
- ☆ Basic education and literacy
- ☆ Maternal and child health
- ☆ Peace and conflict prevention/resolution

Read more about
TRF on page 3 of
this Whisper



WELCOME HOME KIAHNI!

YEP rebounder **Kiahni Huthnance** returned home from a Finnish winter to a heatwave on 5 Jan. Mother Donna, Patty and Pam & David F welcomed her back.

DONATION TO SMALL GRANTS PROJECT IN INDONESIA

The club has funded **three Household Toilet projects** in remote parts of southeast **Indonesia** with a donation of **\$1,000**. **Read more about what we’ve funded on page 3 of this Whisper.**

The **NTT Small Grants project** assists **farmers and schools** in the province of Nusa Tenggara Timur (NTT), including the islands of Flores, West Timor & Semau, all areas of extreme poverty. The photo shows a toilet installed earlier at a school under this program.



Project Director Chris Curtis (Lane Cove Rotary) says: “What a wonderful Christmas present for the project! ... Once again please convey our heartfelt thanks to all Woolgoolga club members, your \$1000 will go a long way to helping needy families in Eastern Indonesia.” We have previously supported this project with donations of \$1,000 in each of the previous two Rotary years, and Mary Bryant went there in 2015 in a project assessment team.

NEXT CPR / DEFIBRILLATOR COURSE IS ON 19 FEB

The second Rotary course teaching how to perform **cardiopulmonary resuscitation** and to use a **defibrillator** will be on Mon 19 Feb at C.ex Club Woolgoolga. Contact Dennis Houghton 0432 188 412. (Cost is just \$5, but early registration is requested.)

STATS AT A GLANCE

Visiting Rotarians:
YEP:
Guests:
Attendance: (AGM) 16 (64%)
Apologies: (AGM) Apologies received from Geoff Royal, Leslie Casey, Glenda Kennedy, Pam Stone, John Arkan and Harjinder Singh
Raffle: none
Birthdays: Dennis Chiron 22 Jan, Allan Bryant 25 Jan, Graeme Smith 27 Jan, Garry Kennedy 6 Feb, Patty Delaney 8 Feb
Anniversaries: Marianne & Dennis Chiron 22 Jan, Dick & Marie Matthews 17 Feb

ROTARY GSE GROUP FROM UGANDA VISITING US ON WED 21 FEBRUARY

We will be hosting 11 people from **Uganda** during the **day** on **Wednesday 21 February**. This GSE (**Group Study Exchange**) team is in Australia for just over 3 weeks. There is a lot of expertise and experience among this group, and diverse interests with numerous potential synergies locally, so we aim to make the best of their brief visit, which will include lunch hosted by our club and much of the afternoon, as well as some part of the morning (TBC).

Their Biographies are available (email david@bioaccent.com.au). Their main fields of expertise are:

Engineering / town planning /architecture, construction

Mr. Joseph Ndegyeya: Water Engineer; Business Relations and Development Manager of National Water and Sewerage Corporation

Mr. John Berch Barugahare: Senior Urban Planning Consultant

Mr. Patrick Byashishaki: Architect; design, supervision and contract management of construction projects

Mr. James Mukasa Galabuzi: Civil Engineer; Proprietor of Gala Contractors Ltd (construction) & Coffee and Tea Uganda Ltd (farming)

Empowerment, support and mentoring organisations

Ms. Joan Prose Kabayambi: Executive Director of Hope Again Fistula Support Organization [medical]

Dr. Hilda Mary Tadia: Executive Director of the Mentoring and Empowerment Program for Young Women

Ms. Evelyn Harriet Nassuna: founder and CEO of Shared Action Africa, a nonprofit that empowers women and youth through

Agriculture economic development that is socially inclusive and environmentally sustainable

Mr. Peter Lusembo: Research Officer: National Agricultural Research Organization

Mr. John Akiiki Byaruhanga: retired Bank Manager and small-scale mixed farming

Administration and diverse interests

Ms. Eunice Drakua Chiria: Senior Administrative Officer, Uganda Electricity Generation Company

Ms. Mary Francis Awor: office administrator with broad experience

After leaving Dorrigo on 19 Feb, the team is being hosted in Coffs Harbour for a few days, which will include time out on Rotarian Robert Shone's boat on Tues. They will be coming to us in Woolgoolga sometime during Wed morning. They will leave us late afternoon for a formal dinner & presentation on Wed evening at Sawtell RSL Princess Room.

REPORT (11 DEC) ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

At the AGM, held at the Woolgoolga Beach Reserve, on 11 Dec, key members of the Board for next Rotary year were confirmed (President-elect **Geoff Royal**, Treasurer **Kim Thompson**, Secretary **Patty Delaney**). All board members except one have indicated they will continue (portfolios to be decided at a later date). Grateful thanks to all.

However, **we do NOT yet have a President-nominee for the following year (2019-2020)** and it is important to put in place a stable succession for the following year. Without a **President**, the club cannot function, much less deliver the impressive track record of outcomes that our club keeps delivering. Two more **Board members** would be ideal too. A thoroughly enjoyable and relaxed **Christmas Party** followed the AGM.

YEP NEWS

Clarence Harré has opted for Engineering at University of NSW, having received offers from there & Uni of Sydney.

CLUB NOTICES	DISTRICT NOTICES
29 Jan first meeting for 2018	10-11 Feb 18 District Training
3 Feb Auction (Sherwood Creek RFS)	21 Feb Cluster dinner in Coffs for Uganda GSE
19 Feb CPR Defibrillator course, C.ex	24-25 Feb 18 PETS (President-elect Training) 2018-19, A'dale
21 Feb Ugandan GSE visit to Woolgoolga	9-11 Mar 18 District Conference Armidale
15 Mar Rotary Youth Driver Awareness (RYDA) day	7-14 Apr 18 Bookfest (Coffs Harbour South Rotary)
10 Apr Science and Engineering Challenge day	23-27 Jun Rotary International Convention, Toronto, Canada
26 May (Sat) Swap Party at Karen Sedgwick's	

MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend						
Date	29 Jan Meeting	5 Feb No meeting	12 Feb Meeting	19 Feb Board	26 Feb Meeting	5 Mar No meeting
Attendance	David Edwards	AUCTION 3 FEB	Marianne Chiron	4:15pm VISITORS	Pam Stone	AUCTION 3 MAR
Welcome/Fellowship	Kim Thompson	IN LIEU	Echah Wright	INFO CENTRE	Leslie Casey	IN LIEU
Introduce Guest Speaker/s	Karen Sedgwick		Patty Delaney		Lynda Hagar	
Vote of Thanks	Lynda Hagar		Dennis Chiron		Peter Lacy	
Guest Speakers or Event	Clark Webb Learning Outcomes for Aboriginal Youth		Clarence Harré re homeless project Kiahni Huthnance re YEP Finland		Andrew Brooks, Quickfix Repairs	

Your Rotary Club Needs YOU

Want to be on the BOARD? - (see Pam or Geoff)

Can you help with AUCTION PICK-UPS or auctioneering? (See Dick)

WISH TO PROPOSE A NEW MEMBER? (Contact Pam)

KNOW A FAMILY INTERESTED IN HOSTING A YEP STUDENT? (See Patty)

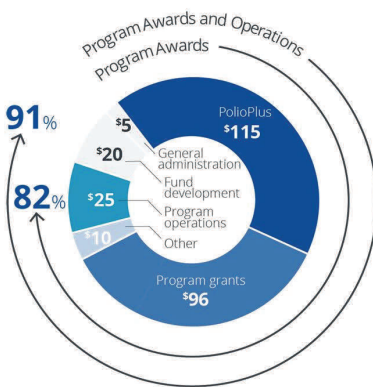
2018 DISTRICT CONFERENCE REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!

This year, the **District Conference** is in Armidale, with 1½ days of sessions all Saturday and Sunday morning, 10–11 March, preceded by social events (golf and dinners) on the Thursday and Friday. For recent Rotarians, this is a fantastic way to find out about a variety of projects, to build a network of Rotary friends, and for those unfamiliar with the Armidale area, to get to know it. “Inspiring” is how those who’ve attended previously typically describe keynote speakers at these conferences. President Pamela will be attending, and will also be a judge at the Public Speaking finals. <https://www.rotary9650.org.au/district-conference>

MORE ABOUT THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

With this \$100 donation per member, every member is helping to teach children to read, build wells, feed the hungry, care for the sick, and shelter the poor. Moreover, when we contribute to the Annual Fund, 3 years later 50% of our contributions come back to our District through District Designated Funds (DDF) to spend

The Rotary Foundation's expenditures
(in millions)



on educational & humanitarian activities chosen by us; even grants that may be used for projects in our local community.

Aside from GST, as the diagram shows, **91%** of our donation goes to program awards and operations, a much higher % than for most charities.

The diagram also shows in dark blue the major effort that continues to complete the eradication of **polio** from the world. (Donations to **End Polio Now** are separate to donations to the Annual Fund— our donation is to the latter).

How The Rotary Foundation spends its funds (2017 Annual Report, US\$)

PolioPlus (now EndPolioNow) : \$108 million	Fund development: \$20 million
Global grants: \$73 million	Other: \$9 million
District grants: \$26 million	General administration: \$5 million
Program operations: \$23 million	Peace centers: \$5 million

Join us in the beautiful New England region for the Rotary District 9650 Conference

SHAPING THE FUTURE

ONLINE REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN ON THE DISTRICT WEBSITE AND ARE OUR PREFERRED METHOD OF RSVP. PAYMENT CAN BE MADE BY CARD OR VIA BANK TRANSFER.

Rotary

The Annual Fund basically funds two types of grants, totalling in that year around US\$100 million: Global Grants and District Grants. The huge number of **District Grants** make an extraordinary and diverse contribution to more than 200 countries where there are Rotary clubs. The generally larger **Global Grants** are categorized in five of the six areas of focus listed on page 1; each Global Grant nominates just one main focus area. From year to year, the relative expenditures on these vary wildly. In 2014-15 the picture looked like this ⇒

Two examples of Global Grants for which we have raised money are the District’s current and previous projects in NW **India**, to install **girls’ toilets** and safe drinking **water** in schools. These grants are counted in the “water and sanitation” focus area, but they clearly also benefit child health, education (as girls can participate fully in school), disease prevention, and economic and community development (directly through construction and indirectly through benefiting society).

Another example of a Global Grant is in Germany, where, after finding out how much plastic ended up in landfills, Rotary clubs throughout the country worked together to establish a recycling program that has kept more than 100 million **plastic bottle caps** out of the trash. (That’s 200 tonnes of plastic.) The money raised goes to End Polio Now.

DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT	Number of grants: 329	\$19.8M
WATER AND SANITATION	302	\$20.0M
ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	168	\$11.2M
BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY	133	\$8.0M
MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH	78	\$5.7M
PEACE AND CONFLICT PREVENTION/RESOLUTION (excluding Rotary Peace Centers)	68	\$4.0M

MORE ABOUT THE TOILET PROJECTS WE FUNDED IN INDONESIA

The toilets we have funded are now complete and in use by the families concerned. Two of the projects were completed by cooperative groups (kelompok) in **Sumili** village. The groups are called Kelompok Setia Usaha (Loyal Enterprise), and Kelompok Sehati II. “Sehat” is the Indonesian word for health so it is very appropriate in this situation. The third project was in **Oenaek** village and was also completed by a team called Sehati.

The villages are on the western tip of **Timor** island about 15 kilometres from Kupang. They are very near to where Captain Bligh came ashore with his 18 sailors after the Bounty mutiny and epic voyage of 1789.

Some readers may be concerned about providing septic toilets because of the possibility of contaminating the ground water in these village areas. Here is an extract about **Household Toilets** from a report from Dr. Colin Barlow (Nusa Tenggara Association), a doctor of agricultural economics.

“These are a further much appreciated project, with major positive health effects and very beneficial impacts on privacy, especially of women. When this project was started in the 1990s the NTA was afraid pollution might spread from septic tanks and pollute water supplies, a big difficulty in the high rainfall parts of Java. The NTA commissioned a study of this problem, finding that the very hot and dry climate in eastern Indonesia means septic tanks dry up quickly, with [no] pollution whatsoever.

“Some 4,000 toilets have already been sponsored by the NTA with support from generous donors particularly including Rotary. Indeed, many better-off families are now erecting toilets on their own account without assistance. But this is still impossible for poorer families, who are a continuing focus for assistance.”